

POSITION PAPER
AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR OFF-SITE TRAFFIC
TO/FROM CIA

July 11, 1983

I. PURPOSE

To outline objectives/goals of the Ad Hoc Committee for Off-Site Traffic To/From CIA (hereinafter referred to as "the committee") and to generally describe implementation activities.

II. BACKGROUND

The catalyst for the committee was a notice received from the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPD) in mid-April 1983. (The NCPD has jurisdiction over all federal buildings and their improvements within the metropolitan area.) The NCPD was hosting a meeting on June 2 to consider authorizing funding for CIA's expansion plans and as impacted communities, our comments were requested.

CIA's expansion plans involve constructing a new building of 1.1 million square feet of office space, 1,000 additional parking spaces, 3,000 additional people, and off-site road improvements for Routes 123-193 in the immediate area of the CIA.

The communities of Clearview Manor, Downscres, Evermay, Langley Oaks, Lynwood, and The Potomac School joined together to send letters (individually as well as collectively as a committee) to elected federal, state, and county officials with copies of letters to others as appropriate.

As a result of the interest demonstrated, Congressman Frank Wolf hosted a meeting at the CIA on June 28, 1983, with concerned citizens and press. After CIA outlined its proposed plans for expansion and questions were asked from the floor, Congressman Wolf pledged to work with the citizens and stated that a federal roadway, such as the GW Parkway, should be considered as a primary source for the traffic. He also pledged to see that citizens would be on a committee/group to achieve road design and improvements that would be compatible with citizen wishes. Subsequently, the CIA has established an advisory committee to honor Congressman Wolf's pledge to the citizens.

III. OBJECTIVES/GOALS

In order to ensure that the planned CIA expansion is carried out with minimal detrimental impact to the quality of life (including safety, roadway access, aesthetics, power and sewage requirements, noise, air, and water pollution, etc.) in the surrounding communities and in the larger McLean area, the committee will work towards ensuring that:

(1) A comprehensive and coordinated plan is developed for deciding what improvements are needed to Routes 123, 193 and the GW Parkway.

(2) Such improvements to off-site roadways as may be required are based upon appropriate assumptions as to present and projected traffic flow in the broader access area (e.g. county and CIA growth over the next 5-10 years is realistically considered).

(3) The parameters utilized for planning and implementation purposes are comprehensive and appropriate (e.g. utilization of the GW Parkway is fully considered).

(4) A comprehensive, mutually acceptable, and coordinated plan is developed for the phased implementation of road changes and improvements when they have been decided upon--with such improvements to be completed prior to any increase in current staff levels at CIA Langley.

5) Citizen input to the planning process is provided on a timely, coordinated basis to the CIA, highway consultant(s) and advisory group.

(6) Federal, state, county, and other organizations and individuals interested in the expansion are kept informed of activities and progress.

IX. IMPLEMENTATION

To further the goals and objectives outlined above, the committee will take action on its own, or support action taken by others when such action is directed at achieving or fostering the goals and objectives of the committee. Committee action may include, but need not necessarily be limited to:

- o Participating in "steering", "advisory", "ad hoc", and other committees and meetings.

- o Making the committee's views known to current and potential federal, state, and local office holders and officials and other interested citizens.
- o Hosting and participating in community and "all citizens" meetings as needed.
- o Hosting press briefings and otherwise working with the media to ensure that interested citizens are kept abreast of progress in making CIA expansion and traffic management plans more compatible with the needs of the surrounding communities.

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